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In re prior application of: Wong et al.

Application No.: 08 / 996,976 Group No.: 1651

Filed: 12/23/97 Examiner: Ware, D.

For: Ultrapure Vegetable Protein Material

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231**APPLICATION DATA SHEET**
37 C.F.R. § 1.76

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.76(a): "Application data sheet. An application data sheet is a sheet or sheets, that may be voluntarily submitted in either provisional or nonprovisional applications, which contains bibliographic data, arranged in a format specified by the Office. If an application data sheet is provided, the application data sheet is part of the provisional or nonprovisional application for which it has been submitted."

BIBLIOGRAPHIC DATA**1. Applicant information**

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.76(b)(1): "(1) Applicant information. This information includes the name, residence, mailing address, and citizenship of each applicant (§ 1.41(b)). The name of each applicant must include the family name, and at least one given name without abbreviation together with any other given name or initial. If the applicant is not an inventor, this information also includes the applicant's authority (§§ 1.42, 1.43, and 1.47) to apply for the patent on behalf of the inventor."

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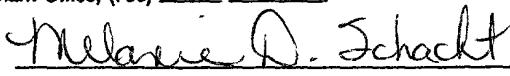
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Assignment which will be submitted later

2. Correspondence information

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.76(b)(2): "(2) Correspondence information. This information includes the correspondence address, which may be indicated by reference to a customer number, to which correspondence is to be directed (see § 1.33(a))."

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3. Application information.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.76(b)(3): "Application information. This information includes the title of the invention, a suggested classification, by class and subclass, the Technology Center to which the subject matter of the invention is assigned, the total number of drawing sheets, a suggested drawing figure for publication (in a nonprovisional application), any docket number assigned to the application, the type of application (e.g., utility, plant, design, reissue, provisional), whether the application discloses any significant part of the subject matter of an application under a secrecy order pursuant to § 5.2 of this chapter (see § 5.2(c)), and, for plant applications, the Latin name of the genus and species of the plant claimed, as well as the variety denomination. The suggested classification and Technology Center information should be supplied for provisional applications whether or not claims are present. If claims are not present in a provisional application, the suggested classification and Technology Center should be based upon the disclosure."

Title of Invention: Ultrapure Vegetable Protein Material

Docket number assigned to this application: SP-1093.3

Suggested Classification: Class:

Subclass:

Technology Center to which subject matter is assigned:

NOTE: "The suggested classification and Technology Center information should be supplied for provisional applications whether or not claims are present. If claims are not present in a provisional application, the suggested classification and Technology Center should be based upon the disclosure." 37 C.F.R. § 1.76(b)(3).

35 U.S.C. § 120: Application No.: 08/996,976
Filed: 12/23/97
Status: Pending
Relationship: Parent

35 U.S.C. § 121: Application No.:
Filed: _____
Status: _____
Relationship: _____

35 U.S.C. § 365(c): Application No.:
Filed: _____
Status: _____
Relationship: _____

6. Foreign priority information

NOTE: "Foreign priority information. This information includes the application number, country, and filing date of each foreign application for which priority is claimed, as well as any foreign application having a filing date before that of the application for which priority is claimed. Providing this information in the application data sheet constitutes the claim for priority as required by 35 U.S.C. 119(b) and § 1.55(a)." 37 C.F.R. § 1.76(b)(6).

WARNING: Section 1.55(a) provides (1) that in an original application filed under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) (other than a design application) the claim for priority must be presented during the pendency of the application, and within the later of four months from the actual filing date of the application or sixteen months from the filing date of the prior foreign application; (2) in an application that entered the national stage from an international application after compliance with 36 U.S.C. 371, the claim for priority must be made during the pendency of the application and within the time limit set forth in the PCT and the Regulations under the PCT.

Foreign priority is claimed for this application as follows:

Country: _____

Application No.: _____

Filing date: _____

Status: _____

Foreign application having a filing date before that of the above application for which priority is claimed.

None

Country: _____

Application No.: _____

Filing date: _____

Status: _____

**ADDED PAGES FOR APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF
PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION(S) CLAIMED**

NOTE: See 37 C.F.R. § 1.78.

17. Relate Back

WARNING: If an application claims the benefit of the filing date of an earlier filed application under 35 U.S.C. § 120, 121 or 365(c), the 20-year term of that application will be based upon the filing date of the earliest U.S. application that the application makes reference to under 35 U.S.C. § 120, 121 or 365(c). (35 U.S.C. § 154(a)(2) does not take into account, for the determination of the patent term, any application on which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119, 365(a) or 365(b).) For a c-l-p application, applicant should review whether any claim in the patent that will issue is supported by an earlier application and, if not, the applicant should consider canceling the reference to the earlier filed application. The term of a patent is not based on a claim-by-claim approach. See Notice of April 14, 1995, 60 Fed. Reg. 20,195, at 20,205.

(complete the following, if applicable)

Amend the specification by inserting, before the first line, the following sentence:

A. 35 U.S.C. § 119(e)

NOTE: *"Any nonprovisional application claiming the benefit of one or more prior filed copending provisional applications must contain or be amended to contain in the first sentence of the specification following the title a reference to each such prior provisional application, identifying it as a provisional application, and including the provisional application number (consisting of series code and serial number)." 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(4).*

"This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application(s) No(s).:

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B. 35 U.S.C. Sections 120, 121 and 365(c)

NOTE: "Except for a continued prosecution application filed under § 1.53(d), any nonprovisional application claiming the benefit of one or more prior filed copending nonprovisional applications or international applications designating the United States of America must contain or be amended to contain in the first sentence of the specification following the title a reference to each such prior application, identifying it by application number (consisting of the series code and serial number) or international application number and international filing date and indicating the relationship of the applications. . . . Cross-references to other related applications may be made when appropriate." (See § 1.14(a)). 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(2).

18. Relate Back—35 U.S.C. § 119 Priority Claim for Prior Application

The prior U.S. application(s), including any prior International Application designating the U.S., identified above in item 17B, in turn itself claim(s) foreign priority(ies) as follows:

Country	Appln. No.	Filed
The certified copy(ies) has (have)		
<input type="checkbox"/> been filed on _____, in prior application 0 / _____, which was filed on _____.		
<input type="checkbox"/> is (are) attached.		

WARNING: *The certified copy of the priority application that may have been communicated to the PTO by the International Bureau may not be relied on without any need to file a certified copy of the priority application in the continuing application. This is so because the certified copy of the priority application communicated by the International Bureau is placed in a folder and is not assigned a U.S. serial number unless the national stage is entered. Such folders are disposed of if the national stage is not entered. Therefore, such certified copies may not be available if needed later in the prosecution of a continuing application. An alternative would be to physically remove the priority documents from the folders and transfer them to the continuing application. The resources required to request transfer, retrieve the folders, make suitable record notations, transfer the certified copies, enter and make a record of such copies in the Continuing Application are substantial. Accordingly, the priority documents in folders of international applications that have not entered the national stage may not be relied on. Notice of April 28, 1987 (1079 O.G. 32 to 46).*

19. Maintenance of Copendency of Prior Application

NOTE: *The PTO finds it useful if a copy of the petition filed in the prior application extending the term for response is filed with the papers constituting the filing of the continuation application. Notice of November 5, 1985 (1060 O.G. 27).*

A. Extension of time in prior application

(This item must be completed and the papers filed in the prior application, if the period set in the prior application has run.)

- A petition, fee and response extends the term in the pending prior application until _____.
- A copy of the petition filed in prior application is attached.

B. Conditional Petition for Extension of Time in Prior Application

(complete this item, if previous item not applicable)

- A conditional petition for extension of time is being filed in the pending prior application.
- A copy of the conditional petition filed in the prior application is attached.

23. Small Entity (37 C.F.R. § 1.28(a))

- Applicant has established small entity status by the filing of a statement in parent application _____/_____ on _____.
- A copy of the statement previously filed is included.

WARNING: See 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(a).

WARNING: "Small entity status must not be established when the person or persons signing the . . . statement can unequivocally make the required self-certification." M.P.E.P. § 509.03, 7th ed. (emphasis added).

24. NOTIFICATION IN PARENT APPLICATION OF THIS FILING

- A notification of the filing of this

(check one of the following)

- continuation
- continuation-in-part
- divisional

is being filed in the parent application, from which this application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120.